# STATUS 26-0 - CLOSED REHABILITATED

#### A. Definitions:

- Rehabilitated -A case in which the client had an IPE calling for a specific vocational goal, received substantial rehabilitation services and has been employed in the job identified on the IPE and in Status 22-0 for a minimum of 90 days. Movement to Status 26-0 can only occur from Status 22-0.
- Substantial rehabilitation services. Services provided within a counseling relationship, which when completed, accomplishes the clients vocational rehabilitation.
- Suitable occupation. A job where, after a reasonable period of adjustment (not less than 90 days) the following conditions are met when the:
  - a) client and employer are mutually satisfied;
  - b) client is maintaining adequate interpersonal relationships and acceptable behavior on the job;
  - c) occupation is consistent with the clients capacities and abilities;
  - d) client possesses acceptable skills to continue to perform satisfactorily;
  - e) job will not aggravate the clients disability or jeopardize the health or safety of client or others;
  - f) employment is regular and reasonably permanent;
  - g) work is performed in an integrated setting with non-disabled workers; and
  - h) client earns at least the minimum wage, but not less than that normally paid to other workers for similar work.
- **B. Scope of Services:** Rehabilitation closure is the final step in a successful program of services. It includes a review with the client of the services provided, the successes achieved, and an offer of re-establishing services in the future, if needed by the client.

## C. Agency Expectations:

- 1. There will always be a tangible relationship between the services provided (as reflected in the IPE) and the vocational outcome.
- 2. A client accepted into the armed forces can be considered suitably employed and rehabilitated.

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- 3. Individuals in correctional institutions can not be considered to be rehabilitated while still incarcerated.
- 4. Individuals cannot be closed as rehabilitated while working in extended employment (sheltered employment).
- 5. Individuals performing as homemakers can be considered as rehabilitated, as long as it can be shown that VR services contributed to their ability to function in that role.
- 6. Persons who work without pay on a family farm or in a family business operated by one or more members of their own family can be considered to be rehabilitated, as long as the work is gainful, productive, regular, and the result of vocational rehabilitation services.
- 7. Persons who remain employed on the same job held at application can be considered to be rehabilitated as long as it can be shown that the VR services aided them in maintaining or progressing in their employment.
- 8. IPE-3 . completed identifying the clients wages, hours of work/week, name of business, job title, and if post-employment services are planned. Regardless of the clients employment setting the wages reported must be at least at minimum wage and commensurate with the industry standard. Small business closures must be closed at least at 80% of SGA.
- 9. The IPE-3 may be completed by the Associate or Assistant who received the information under the guidance of the Rehabilitation Counselor.

#### **Exceptions:**

- 1. Hours worked less than 20 per week when the plan is written or at least by case closure.
- 2. Small business cases closed less than at 80% of SGA.

## **HOMEMAKER CLOSURES**

### A. Definition:

A man or woman whose work activity is keeping house for their families, or themselves if they live alone

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